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Westminster, March 21.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to,

An Act for continuing the Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder and Perry, in that Part of Great Britain called England; and for granting to his Majesty certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder and Perry in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and forty one.

An Act to prohibit for a Time therein limited, the Exportation of Corn, Grain, (Rice excepted) Meal, Malt, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, Starch, Beef, Pork and Bacon.

An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion; and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.

An Act to indemnify Persons who have omitted to Qualify themselves for Offices and Imployments within the Time limited by Law, and for allowing further Time for that Purpose.

An Act for granting and continuing the Duties upon Salt, and upon red and white Herrings, for the further Term of seven Years; and for allowing Rock Salt to be used in making of Salt from Sea Water at the Salt Works at Neath in the County of Glamorgan.

An Act to indemnify Protestant Purchasers of Estates of Papists against the Penalties or Forfeitures Papists are liable to for not having inrolled their Estates, in pursuance of an Act of the third Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the first for that Purpose.

An Act to render the Laws more effectual for preventing the stealing and destroying of Sheep and other Cattle.

An Act to impower Joseph Porter, James Bourdieu and Abraham Desmarette, to import a certain Quantity of Raw Silk of the Growth of Spain from Leghorn.

An Act for making the Chapelry of Nether Knutsford in the Parish of Rosthern and County of Chester a separate and distinct Parish; and for erecting a Parish Church therein, endowing the same, settling the Right of Presentation thereto, and other Purposes.

An Act for licensing the Importation of Victual from Ireland and other Parts beyond the Seas into Scotland in Time of Dearth and Scarcity.

An Act to explain and amend an Act made in the third Year of the Reign of King James the First, intitled, An Act for the Recovery of small Debts, and for the relieving of poor Debtors in London.

An Act for incorporating the Undertakers of the Navigation of the River Dee.

An Act to prevent Inconveniencies arising from Delays of Causes after Issue joined.

An Act for supplying the City of Gloucester with fresh Water.

An Act to amend the Law concerning common Recoveries, and to explain and amend an Act made in the twenty ninth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intitled, An Act for prevention of Frauds and Perjuries so far as the same relates to Estates per auter vie.

An Act for repairing the Road from Wakefield to Pontefract, and from thence to a Place called Weeland in the Township of Hensall; and from Pontefract to Wentbridge in the Township of Darrington, in the West Riding of the County of York.

An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers granted by an Act passed in the twelfth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the First, intitled, An Act for repairing and widening the Road from Horsley Upright Gate leading down Bowden Hill, in the County of Wilts, to the Top of Kingsdown Hill in the Parish of Box in the said County.

An Act for repairing the Roads from Doncaster through Ferry Bridge to the South Side of Tadcaster Cross; and also from Ferry Bridge to Weatherby, and from thence to Burrough Bridge in the County of York.

An Act for enlarging the Terms and Powers granted by an Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the First, intitled, An Act for repairing the Roads in the Parishes of Kensington, Chelsea, and Fulham, and other Parishes therein mentioned in the County of Middlesex; and for repairing some other Roads in the Parish of St. George Hanover-square, and the said Parishes of Kensington and Chelsea.

An Act for enlarging the Terms and Powers granted by two Acts of Parliament for repairing the Roads leading from Seven Oaks to Woodsgate and Tunbridge Wells, and from Woodsgate to Kippings Cross in the County of Kent; and also for repairing the Roads from Kippings Cross aforesaid to Lamberhurst Pound and Pullen's Hill in the said County, and to Flimwell Vent in the County of Sussex.

An Act to enlarge the Terms and Powers granted by three several Acts made in the Ninth and Twelfth Years of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne, and in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the First, for amending the Highways leading from Royston in the County of Hertford, to Wandsford Bridge in the County of Huntingdon, so far as the same relate to the Roads lying in the Middle and South Divisions of the said Highways.

An Act to enlarge the Terms and Powers granted by an Act made in the first Year of his present Ma-

Majeſty's Reign, intitled, An Act for repairing the Road leading from Chatteris Ferry (which divides the Iſle of Ely from the County of Huntingdon) to Hammond's Ean, and from thence to Somerſham Bridge at Somerſham Town's End in the ſaid County.

An Act for the effectual draining and Preſervation of Waterbeach Level in the County of Cambridge, and to eſtabliſh an Agreement made between the Lord of the Manor of Waterbeach cum Denny and the Commoners within the ſaid Manor.

An Act for finiſhing and compleating the Pariſh Church of Gainsburgh in the County of Lincoln.

An Act for making a Chapel lately built by John Coppin, Eſq; at Market-ſtreet in the Pariſh of Cadington, in the County of Hertford, a perpetual Cure and Benefice, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned.

An Act to enable the Pariſhioners of the Pariſh of St. Botolph without Aldgate, in the City of London and County of Middleſex, to rebuild the Church of the ſaid Pariſh.

An Act for repairing and enlarging the Roads from the Town of Selby in the Weſt Riding of the County of York, to the Town of Leeds, and from thence (in two ſeveral Branches, one through Bradford and Horton, and the other through Bowling and Wibſey) to the Town of Halifax in the ſame Riding.

An Act for appointing new Commiſſioners and Truſtees for putting in Execution an Act paſſed in the Eighth Year of the Reign of her late Majeſty Queen Anne, intitled, An Act for veſting the Eſtate and Effects of John Coggs and John Dann, Goldſmiths and Copartners, in Truſtees, for the ſpredier Payment of their Creditors, and for determining Differences thereupon.

An Act for repairing the Road from Doncaſter (through the Pariſh of Peniſton) in the County of York, to Saltersbrooke in the County of Cheſter; and alſo the Road from Rotherham in the ſaid County of York, to Hartcliffe Hill in the ſaid Pariſh of Peniſton.

An Act for repairing the Roads from a Place called Redhouſe near Doncaſter, to Wakefield, and through the ſaid Town of Wakefield by Dewsbury, Highton, and Lightcliff, to the Town of Halifax in the Weſt Riding of the County of York.

An Act for repairing the Road leading from Eland to the Town of Leeds, in the Weſt Riding of the County of York.

And to Twenty-two private Bills.

By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,

For Encouraging Seamen to enter themſelves on board Our Ships of War.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS it is our Royal Intention to give due Encouragement to all ſuch Seamen who ſhall voluntarily enter themſelves in our Service, We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy Council, to publiſh this our Royal Proclamation; and we do hereby promiſe and declare, That all ſuch Seamen not above the Age of Fifty-five, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, fit for our Service, who ſhall in Great Britain, Ireland, Guernſey, or Jerſey, on or before the Firſt Day of May next, voluntarily enter themſelves to ſerve in our Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of our Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board ſuch Tenders as ſhall be employed for raiſing Men for the Service of our Navy, or with any Juſtice of Peace, or Chief Magiſtrate of any City or Town, ſhall reſpectively receive, as our Royal Bounty, the reſpective Sums following; that is to ſay, For every Able Seaman, the Sum of Five Pounds, and for every Ordinary Seaman, the Sum of Three Pounds, ſuch reſpective Sums to be paid them by the Clerks of the Check, or by the Treaſurer of the Navy, in Manner following; that is to ſay, If the Ships they enter into, fit out in the Rivers of Thames, or Medway, ſo ſoon as they get to the Nore; and if the ſaid Ships fit out at Portſmouth, ſo ſoon as they go out to Spithead; and if the ſaid Ships fit out at Plymouth, before they ſail from Hamoaze; and if the ſaid Ships fit out at any other Ports, ſo ſoon as they ſhall arrive at the Nore, or at Spithead, or in Plymouth Sound: And we do hereby require, That if any ſuch Seaman ſhall voluntarily enter himſelf within the Time before-mentioned, with any Officer, Juſtice of Peace, or Chief Magiſtrate, as aforeſaid, ſuch Officer, Juſtice of Peace, or Chief Magiſtrate reſpectively, ſhall give to each Man ſo entering, a Certificate under his Hand and Seal (without Fee or Reward) of his Entry, and the Time of ſuch Entry, and ſhall thereby limit ſuch Number of Days, not exceeding Ten, as may be neceſſary for his repairing on Board, and in which Certificates they are to inſert the Names of the Perſons ſo entring, and to deſcribe their Perſons and Ages, and to mention therein the Time allowed them to repair on Board our ſaid Ships: And we do hereby declare, That ſuch Seamen, who on or before the ſaid Firſt Day of May next, ſhall voluntarily enter themſelves as aforeſaid, and ſhall, within the Time limited and appointed in ſuch their Certificates, repair on Board, and remain in any of our ſaid Ships and Veſſels, ſhall be intituled to the Benefit of our Royal Promiſe, as aforeſaid, and not otherwiſe; and in ſuch Caſe, every ſuch Seaman ſhall be intituled to his Pay from the Time of his being firſt entred, as aforeſaid. And we do hereby require and command all Perſons whatſoever, that may be authorized or empowered to impreſs Mariners for our Service, that they do not impreſs or moleſt any ſuch Seaman, to whom ſuch Certificates, as aforeſaid, ſhall be given according to the true Intent and Meaning of this our Royal Proclamation; or any Man now in our Service, who by Tickets ſigned by the Captains of our Ships or Veſſels, to which they belong, have, or ſhall have Leave to be abſent from their Duty, for any Time not exceeding Twelve Days; before which Time they ſhall not fail to render themſelves on Board our ſaid Ships or Veſſels, whereto they ſhall belong, according to the Time limited by ſuch their Certificates or Tickets. And to the End we may be truly informed what Perſons ſhall enter and render themſelves to ſerve on Board our Royal Navy, in Purſuance of this our Royal Proclamation, we do hereby require and command our reſpective Captains, Lieutenants, and Chief Officers, commanding any of our Ships of War, or other our Ships or Veſſels aforeſaid, and all our Juſtices of the Peace, and Chief Magiſtrates within Great Britain, Ireland, Guernſey, or Jerſey, to tranſmit to the Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of our Navy, exact Liſts and Accounts of the Names, Ages, and Deſcriptions of the Perſons who ſhall voluntarily enter themſelves with them, and the Times when, and Places where, and of the Times which ſhall be allowed them reſpectively for rendering

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ing themſelves on Board, and of the Times of their reſpective repairing on Board our ſaid Ships: And we do require and command the ſaid Seamen to repair on Board their ſaid Ships or Veſſels, on which they ſhall ſo enter themſelves, or to which they ſhall belong, within the Times limited by ſuch Certificates or Tickets, on Pain of our higheſt Diſpleaſure. And we are graciouſly pleaſed to declare, That Conduct-money, according to the Practice of the Navy, ſhall be allowed to all ſuch Seamen, ſo voluntarily entering and rendering themſelves on Board, according to the true Meaning of this our Royal Proclamation. And for preventing of any Deceits or Abuſes which may happen by any Perſon or Perſons leaving the Ships to which they belong, and entering him or themſelves on Board any other of our Ships, as aforeſaid, in order to obtain the Bounty-money herein before granted, we do hereby direct, declare, and command, That ſuch Seamen belonging to any of our Ships or Veſſels, as ſhall abſent themſelves from any of the Ships or Veſſels to which they ſhall belong, and ſhall enter themſelves on Board any other of our Ships or Veſſels, in order to obtain the ſaid Bounty-money, ſhall not only loſe the Wages due to them in the Ships they ſhall ſo leave, but alſo be ſeverely puniſhed according to their Demerits. And we do hereby ſtrictly command all the Captains and Officers of our Ships, and others employed in the impreſſing of Men for our Fleet, that they take particular Care not to impreſs or entertain any Perſons whatſoever who ſhall not be fitly qualified to ſerve in our Royal Navy.

Given at our Court at St. James's this Nineteenth Day of March, 1740, and in the Fourteenth Year of our Reign.

God ſave the King.

St. James's, March 20.

This Day was held a Chapter of the moſt noble Order of the Garter; the Knights Companions in or near London (being ſummoned by the Right Reverend the Lord Biſhop of Salisbury, Chancellor of the Order) appeared in their Mantles, and being called over by Garter, proceeded from the Sovereign's Cloſet to the old Council Chamber, attended by the Officers of the Order in the following Manner, the Juniors firſt.

Earl of Eſſex.
Duke of Devonſhire. Earl of Wilmington.
Duke of Richmond. Sir Robert Walpole.
Duke of Rutland.
Duke of Grafton. Duke of Bolton.
Duke of Montagu. Duke of Newcaſtle.
Duke of Dorſet.
His Royal Highneſs William Duke of Cumberland.

Garter. Regiſter. Black Rod.
Chancellor.

SOVEREIGN.

The Sovereign having ſeated himſelf, and commanded the Knights Companions to ſeat themſelves, the Chancellor declared that the Reaſon of calling this Chapter was, to fill the five Stalls vacant by the Deaths of the Dukes of Kent and Roxburgh, the Earls of Strafford and Scarborough, and the Viſcount Townſhend, and that it was the Sovereign's Pleaſure they ſhould be ſupplied at this Time.

Then the Knights Companions proceeded to a Scrutiny, which being collected by the Chancellor, and preſented by him on his Knee to the Sovereign, the Chancellor by the Sovereign's Command declared the moſt Serene Prince Frederick of Helle Caſſel duly elected.

Then the Knights Companions proceeded to another Scrutiny, which being collected and preſented as above, the Chancellor declared the Duke of St. Albans (who had received the Dignity of Knighthood when he was created Knight of the Bath) duly elected.

Upon which Garter, and the Black Rod brought his Grace (who was received at the Chapter Door by the Earls of Wilmington and Eſſex, the two youngeſt Knights preſent) to the Sovereign, Garter carrying before them on a Crimſon Velvet Cuſhion, the Garter and a Gold George hung in a blue Ribbon.

Then Garter on his Knee preſented the Garter to the Sovereign, who delivered it to the two Senior Knights, who buckled it about his left Leg, the Chancellor reading the Admonition.

Then Garter in like Manner preſented the blue Ribbon and George, which his Majeſty put over his left Shoulder, athwart under his right Arm, the Chancellor reading the Admonition.

Garter was then commanded to bring in the Duke of Marlborough, who on his Knees received the Honour of Knighthood; and the Knights proceeding to another Scrutiny, the Chancellor declared the ſaid Duke duly elected; whereupon he received the Garter and George in like Manner as the Duke of St. Alban's had before.

After which the Duke of Kingſton was knighted, elected, and received the ſaid Enſigns of the Order in like Manner.

And the ſame Ceremonies were obſerved in the Election of the Duke of Portland.

Which being ended, and the Knights Companions being again called over by Garter, the Sovereign proceeded back in the ſame Manner he came, and ſo the Ceremony ended.

Lead Office, Ingram Court, Fenchurch-ſtreet, Saturday March 21, 1740.

Notice is hereby given, That an Half Yearly General Court (according to the Bye Law) of the Corporation for Smelting down Lead with Pit Coal and Sea Coal, will be held at the Place abovementioned, on Thurſday the 2d of April next, at Eleven in the Forenoon.

Rd. Francis, Secr.

Advertiſements.

THE Creditors of Nathaniel Carpentor, late of London, Merchant, a Bankrupt, who have proved their Debts under the Commiſſion, may receive a Dividend of One Shilling and Six Pence in the Pound, from the Executors of the Aſſignees on their Execution of the Deed of Diſtribution, lying for that Purpoſe at Mr. North's, at Merchant Taylors Hall, London.

TO be ſold, purſuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, before Anthony Allen, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Curſitor-ſtreet, London, Several Lands lying at Bally, Mullen, and Largymore, and elſewhere, in the ſeveral Counties of Down and Antrim, within the Kingdom of Ireland, for the Remainder of a Term of 41 Years, commencing the 2d Day of November 1722, granted by Francis late Lord Conway, deceaſed. Particulars of the ſaid Lands may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Houſe.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Abraham Hutchinſon, late of Uckfield, in the County of Suſſex, Shopkeeper, deceaſed, are to come in and prove their Debts before Robert Holford, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery Lane, London, on or before the 23d Day of April next, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

Wedneſday,